

## Middle School/Junior High 7<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> Grades

**To receive a license to teach Middle School/Junior High (7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade) a person must:**

1. Hold a bachelor's or higher degree from an accredited college or university **and** have completed:
2. A program of preparation for teaching middle school or junior high school education which is approved by the Board; **or**
3. Twenty-four (24) semester credits of course work in professional education which must include:
  - A. Eight (8) semester credits of supervised student teaching in a designated middle school or junior high school; **and**
  - B. A course in the methods and materials for teaching the major or minor field of specialization at the middle school, junior high school or secondary grade level or a middle school or junior high school level integrated methods course; **and**
  - C. Three (3) semester credits in a course of study regarding education or curricular adaptation for pupils with disabilities and/or a course or study regarding educational foundation or methods in teaching English language learners; **and**
  - D. Six (6) semester credits of course work in at least two of the following areas:
    - I. Middle school foundations, history, theory or philosophy
    - II. Middle school curriculum, pedagogy or assessment
    - III. Adolescent growth and development
    - IV. Nature and needs of the adolescent, including social, emotional, and cultural concerns
    - V. Classroom management strategies
    - VI. School/family/community collaboration
    - VII. Supervision and evaluation of programs and pupils in a middle school; **and**
  - E. Six (6) semester credits of course work in any of the following subjects:
    - I. English as a second language/bilingualism or biculturalism
    - II. Educational technology
    - III. Tests and measurement
    - IV. Educational psychology
    - V. Education of the exceptional child
    - VI. Multicultural education
    - VII. Educational research; **and**

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| 4. | Twenty-four (24) semester credits in a major field of endorsement or area of concentration*. Subsequent minor fields of endorsement may be added to the license upon verification of fourteen (14) semester hours of credit.   |
| 5. | <p>The following subjects are recognized for an endorsement on a middle school or junior high school education license:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. Art.</li> <li>II. English/Language arts</li> <li>III. Foreign Language - limited to languages cited in NAC 391.131 (k) (1-9) See available languages on secondary license requirements.</li> <li>IV. Mathematics **</li> <li>V. Music</li> <li>VI. Science</li> <li>VII. Social science</li> </ul> |

\* The major or minor fields of endorsement or area of concentration identified above shall be deemed to be met if the applicant holds a bachelor's degree or a higher degree with a major, minor or area of concentration identified on the official transcript of record conferred by a regionally accredited college or university.

\*\* An endorsement for mathematics requires the completion of three (3) semester credits to include a course in college algebra or the concepts of calculus, including an introduction to limits, derivatives and integrals, pre-calculus or differential calculus.

**Note: The middle school/junior high license is issued for grades 7-9; however, you would not be qualified to teach 9th grade in a high school setting.**